## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	) Customer No.: 37003
SHEPPARD et al.	) Group Art Unit: 2856
Application No: 10/049,749	) ) Examiner: N. S. Fayyaz
Filed: June 26, 2002	)
For: DOWNHOLE SENSING APPARATUS WITH SEPARABLE ELEMENTS	) Docket No.: US57.0320-WO

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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## Dear Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application for Letters Patent and in response to the Office Action mailed July 25, 2003 (Paper N° 11) for which a response was due on or before October 25, 2003, and for which a petition for a two-month extension of time is submitted herewith, please enter and consider the following Amendment and Remarks. It is noted that a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and the requisite fees are concurrently submitted with this Preliminary Amendment.

Amendment to the specification is found at page 2 of this response.

Amendments to the claims are found at pages 3-5 of this response.

Remarks are found at pages 6-7 of this response.